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From the Office of the Director of Health

Health Department Receives Accreditation

The Springfield-Greene County Health Department has received accreditation from the Missouri Institute for Community Health (MICH). Accreditation by MICH is considered to be the official seal of approval in the delivery of public health services, and means the health department has made a significant effort to achieve standards that affect safety and quality of life in Greene County.

“Achieving accreditation demonstrates that the Springfield-Greene County Health Department has voluntarily sought an independent evaluation of its compliance with state-of-the-art performance standards,” says Janet Canavese, Technical Consultant for the Missouri Institute for Community Health.

Health Department Administrator, Kevin Gipson, adds, “The accreditation process not only pointed out areas where improvement was needed, but validated the fact that we do many things very well. Many of our programs and processes are considered to be Best Practices and have been replicated throughout the State of Missouri and the nation.”

The health department will receive MICH’s seal of approval in a ceremony Monday, December 20th at 8:30 am. Please join us in the lobby of the health department at 227 E. Chestnut Expressway.

MICH is an independent, not-for-profit organization. It is the predominant standards-setting and accrediting body for public health standards in Missouri. Springfield-Greene County is the fifth local public health department in Missouri to be accredited by MICH.

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